

2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 40

January 19, 2001 - Introduced by COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGNS AND ELECTIONS.
Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** requiring the elections board to make recommendations
2 relating to the training and certification of election officials.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires the elections board to conduct regular information and training meetings at various locations in the state for county and municipal clerks and other election officials. In addition, each municipal clerk must instruct election officials in their duties. Although current law does not require election officials to be certified, the governing body of any municipality may require all persons serving as election officials in that municipality to prove their ability to read and write English and to have a general knowledge of the election laws. A municipality may administer examinations to determine whether these qualifications are met.

This bill directs the elections board to prepare recommendations with regard to establishing a program for the training and certification of election officials. The elections board must submit the recommendations to the legislature for distribution to the appropriate standing committees of both houses by April 16, 2001.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

4 (1) The elections board shall prepare recommendations with regard to
5 establishing a program for the training and certification of election officials. No later

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1 than April 16, 2001, the elections board shall submit the recommendations to the
2 chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the appropriate
3 standing committees of the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172
4 (3) of the statutes.

5 (END)